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## BROWNE'S SECRET CIRCULAR.

ADOPTS THE METHODS OF THE ASSASSIN.

Orders His Followers to Kill the People's Organ.

APPOINTS ANDREW J. OLIVER OF ROANOKE CHIEF EXECUTIONER.

Intends His Instructions for the Favored Few.

Presumes Re Will be Able to Deceive the Public.

FORGETS THAT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ORDER IS GREATER THAN THOSE ON THE INSIDE.

Playing with Dynamite - Apparently Oblivious of the Insane Action-Shall the Planet Live or Die? The Answer Rests with Most People.

OFFICE GRAND FOUNTAIN, U. O T. R RICHMOND, VA., Oct , '95 To the Deputies General, Chief Deputies of Divisions, State and Special Deputy Grand Masters, Officers and Members of the various Fountains, Classes and Rosebuds of the Grand Fountain, United Order of True Reformers.

Worthy Brethren and . Sisters :-

This circular the Grand Worthy Master, who acts for the Grand Fountain in its absence. See Constitution page 10, Article 4, Section 1, Duties of the Grand Worthy Master. Among other things appoin such officers and committees as the Constitution and usage shall require, provide for the institution of new fountains and the general prosperity of the Order.

MR. OLIVER APPOINTED.

Under this section I write to inform you that I have appointed A. J. Oliver, delegate to the Fifteenth Annual Sesion of The Grand Fountain, and State Deputy at large, Deputy General for the purpose of rallying and concentrat ing the forces of the Grand Fountain in an attack made upon the Brother-hood by the editor of the Richmond

It is plain to every one who has read the article styled, "Rev. Browne's Grab," that I have a fine suit for libel and could beat him in the courts. I have the guarantee of many eminen lawyers, white and colored, but I don't desire to do that.

LABELS FALSEHOOD AS TRUTH I am afraid it would leave the enemies to say that we took advantage of him on account of his unpopularity with the whites of this country, therefore he with his friends, Revs. Evans Payne and Z. D Lewis, who we met in he courts in the city of Richmond in the Porter case and whipped before the people, they have railied and have attacked us, The Grand Fountain in its 15th Annual Session. They have attacked us with falsehood, bluff and braggadocio. My object is to take the truth, the simple truth, the plain truth, the righteous truth and meet nim on the field of battle, arming the United Order of True Reformers with truth from the least to the greatest and meet the hydra-headed monster of falsehood, not by ridicule, not by

into circulation. ACCREDITS REV PAYNE'S ASSERTIONS T

abuse, but with the simple act of

truth, truth put into action, truth put

THE PLANET. The PLANET says in its issue of Sep tember 28th, that "the fight is on and a fight to the finish" We ask "The fight against whom?" The answer comes, The Grand Fountain and the 15th Annual Session; therefore shall the Grand Fountain fight itself by sup-porting the Planst? Shall The Grand Fountain destroy itself by supporting the Planst? Mr Mitchell is advised in that issue to vanquish or annihilate William W. Browne and his "misguid ed followers," the 15th Annual Session of The Grand Fountain of the United Order of True Reformers Shall the members of the 15th annual Session destroy themselves by supporting the PLANET? Would it not prove that we are misguided followers if we will sup port the PLANET and help the PLANET

to vanquish us? Is not self-preservation the first law of nature? If we help the PLANET are we helping to preserve ourselves, or are we helping to destroy ourselves? Does the law of God or the law of man expect us to destroy ourselves or assist others in destroying us? If we give a ten year old boy a whip, and bare our backs to his whip, he can lacerate our backs and in fact whip us to

AN OLD CHESTNUT.

If we feed the boy, clothe the boy, pay rent for the boy, buy the whip for the boy, put a cracker on it for the boy, take our clothes off for the boy, lay down for the boy and say boy whip us, of course the boy can vanquish us, of course the boy can annihilate us.

The PLANET says "she will annihilate us, that she will vanquish the True Reformers." The question is shall we help her to do it? The war is between Falsehood and Truth, whether Falsehood is stronger than Truth or whether Truth is stronger than Falsehood. Now, dear brethren and sisters,

It is like heat and cold; heat in circulation with no air to cool, you are smothered to death; cold in circulation with no heat to warm, of course, you are chilled to death. Then the question comes which does it pay the True Reformers to support, a paper belonging to the True Reformers, a friend of the True Reformers, or a paper that is an enemy to the True Reformers; a paper that is fighting against the True Reformers, or a paper that is fighting for the True Reformers? Which does it pay the True Reformers to support, a paper that is supporting the True Reformers. cr to support a paper that is trying to destroy the True Reformers? which is the most beneficial to the True Reformers then, to support a paper that belongs to the True Reformers or to support a paper that belongs to the True Reformers. formers, or to support a paper belong-ing to the enemies of the True Reform

GOES INTO THE BUSINESS HIMSELF

To support a paper with the price of the subscription going to benefit the enemies of the True Reformers or with the price of the subscription going to benefit the members of the True

Reformers?
Which is the most beneficial, to support a paper that is writing in the interest of the women of the True Reformers, or to support a paper that is writing against the women of the True Reformers? Which is the most beneficial to support a paper that is writing from the records of the True Reformers or support a paper that ers, or support a paper that is manufacturing its own records? Which is the wisest, to support a paper that tells the truth about the Irue Reformers or to support a paper that circulates falsehood about the True Reformers? I have said enough for each one to make his own choice. Which is our choice ons own choice. Which is our choice to support hat—that is for us, or to support that that is against us? Choose you this day whom you will serve, yourself or another; choose you this day whom you will serve, Truth or Falsehood; choose you this day which you will help to circulate Truth or Falsehood.

AND IT HELPS REV. BROWNE It is plain that money spent for The Reformer goes to the Brotherhood and helps the entire brotherhood. Whenwe support the Reformer we support our our own child, child of our creation. It is the True Reformers' to control, t is the True Reformers' to operate it is the True Reformers' to obey; the I rue Reformers' paper will obey the I rue Reformers, the True Reformers' paper will build the True Reformers True Reformers' paper will help the True Reformers,' in short will help all of the people Choos whom you will serve. Choose you this day

Mr. Mitchell in an interview with a State reporter, a white paper published in the city of Richmond, said that, the True Reformers were on the verge of dissolution, that is on the verge of death. I say Mr. Mitchell wishes to give us a concoction of "Deathsoluion" made up of falsehood and braggadocio. Now the question comes shall we take this Deathsolution, shall we upport this Deathsolution, shall we the PLANET to circulate this Deathsolution, shall we help the PLAN-ET to preach this Deathso ution? The question comes shall we take this

COMPARES HIM TO A SNAKE. Remember we helped to build the PLANET, we helped to save the PLANT when other men in by gone days
had the PLANET by the throat, we
came to its rescue. The PLANET like
the snake in a man's bosom is now
weeking for our throats. We fed reaching for our throats. We fed her, we warmed her, we clothed her, we travelled and put her in circula-tion, now she is reaching for our throats, not with the knife of Truth, but with falsehood Remember Christ had twelve disciples, but one was a devil, and he betrayed him. Remember Christ loved him, but he betrayed him; Christ allowed him to carry the money bag too, but he betrayed him; he kissed Christ but he betrayed him Christ loved him but he saw to it that Christ loved him, but he saw to it that he was punished for his betrayal He went down to rise no more, Christ went down to rise forevermore, and the only thing for us to do is to follow the

footsteps of our master. HOW HE WILL FIGHT.

Now, Mr. Oliver will hold a Union Meeting with all of the Fountains as he travels and a public meeting. He will tell his message to you as he has WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS. I did not want tolenter this fight; the Editor of the PLANET forced me to answer and to meet him, and I have chosen to meet him on his own field of battle and in his own way, and that is before the

Now, I want each Deputy General, State Deputy, Messenger, Senior Passed Officers and officers and member of the True Reformers, when you get this circular, and when you ask yourselves, each one of you the questions I have asked in this circular, and when you ask yourselves the questions, then

THE ORDER OF ASSASSINATION. Hold an officer's meeting and discuss the question among yourselves as True Reformers in your lodge rooms Get a place large enough for a meetng of all the officers in each place, then get a place large enough for a Union meeting of the Fountains.

DON'T TALK THESE MATTERS TO ANY BUT TRUE REFORMERS | Keep your own counsel. I WANT YOU TO GO ALONG JUST AS THOUGH THERE WAS NOTHING HAPPEN-ING SO FAR AS THE OUTSIDE IS CONCERN-ED. Hold no discussions on the street corners, none in bar-rooms none on the street corners, but hold all your discussions among yourselves and decide these questions yourselves and when you receive the notice of Mr. Oliver's coming from him, arrange a Union 'Meeting, to meet him, a un-ion meeting of all the Fountains in that place.

public meeting and a Union Meeting. LET THE NEWS GO OUT THAT MR. OLIVER WILL ADDRESS THE PUBLIC IN THE INTER-EST OF THE TRUE REFORMERS IN THE IN-TEREST OF THE WORK.

WHY HE ISSUES THE ORDER.

watch BUILDING . UP OF THE REFORMER, PUTTING THE REFORMER IN CIRCULATION, PUTTING THE REFORMER, IN EVERY

PUTTING THE REFORMER, IN EVERY HOUSE OF A TRUE REFORMER.

We desire '.ery True Reformer to give his own 'n' scription to The Reformer and get one or more from the Public, We have placed the Standard Monthly at 50 cents a year. The Semimonthly which comes 24 times a year is 75 cents a year. is 75 cents a year.

Our Semi-monthly will run until the Our Semi-monthly will run until the last of December, 1895, after which time, we will change it to a weekly, and all who subscribe to it while it is a semi-monthly, when it is changed to a weekly, will get it throughout the year the same price of the semi-monthly at the same price of the semi-monthly All who subscribe after January 1, 1896 will pay \$1.00 per year.

MONEY IS WHAT HE YET WANTS.

Now, dear brethren and sisters prepare yourselves against the time that brother Oliver or one of the Depthat brother Oliver or one of the Deputies reaches your place to take your subscription, and should you not take the paper before he gets to your place prepare a large subscription list when he comes. We have 30,000 True Reformers, counting children and Senior Department. With the subscription from the True Reformers, the reading True Reformers, the thinking True Reformers, and the live True Reformers we ought to get 20,000 subscribers. ers we ought to get 20,000 subscribers. That will enable us every year to give a handsome sum to the General fund and Three or Four Thousand Dollars to the Old Folk's Homes from The Reformer, and we could be to the Negro race of this country what the "Irish World" is to the Irish. We could make our paper the rallying point of the majority of the Negroes of the United

RELIGION AS A CLOAK FOR EVIL.

Now, Brethren and Sisters bestir yourselves, remember your motto, think for yourselves, act for your-selves, think in the interest of your-selves, act in the interest of yourselves speak in the interest of yourselves and work in the interest of yourselves Remember your motto again, "In bethe cheapest institution, the best in Remember, our mottoes of Union, and put them into operation Love, the chain that binds us together, Truth, the torch-bearer that shows u the way, Truth to live by, Truth to di by, and Truth to light us through the dark valley and shadow of death; Mercy to hold the umbrella, Mercy the shield of faith, Mercy the angel of consolation, Mercy the swift winged Messenger of God, Mercy the bright-wing-ed-shining angel that stands before the throne of God: Wisdom that was with God in the beginning, Wisdom that pilots the wave, Wisdom that keeps the channel of life, wisdom that keeps the channel of life, wisdom the angel by which "judges rule and prin-ces decree justice," Wisdom the pilot and director of Truth, Wisdom the director of Mercy, Wisdom the director of Finance, Wisdom the director and pilot of the brain, Wisdom the governor of the world, Wisdom the swift winged angel that sits at the feet of Jehovah."

THE DEVIL QUOTED SCRIPTURE. If any man lacketh wisdom, let him ask of God, who giveth to all men lib-erally and upbraided not.' Wisdom the dweller with prudence. Wisdom the finder of witty inventions, Wisdom that directs knowledge to hunt these inventions. Remember our mottoe and put them into operation. The are the guards to the gateway of th I'rue Reformers With these in oper ation, we have nothing to fear. Remember, be swift, be industrious, be up and doing. The Bible says "Go to the ant thou sluggard consider her ways and be wise, who has neither guide nor overseer but provides her guide nor overseer, but provides her meat in harvest for winter." Then take the example of the ant for indus try; wrench from the fox his cunning to guide your industry; take from th lion his strength to protect your indus-try; take from the eagle his foresight to give eyes to the ant, the fox, and the

ANOTHER WORN-OUT ILLUSTRATION.

The eagle when he sees a storm ris ing, and he hears the muttering thun-der, he sees the earth commence to darken and the zig-zag lightning flashing and playing in the skies above hi head, he mounts the top of the highes tree, strips from his body the loos feathers, plumes his wing, mounts his pinions with his eyes on the sun, he soars above the clouds and rests upon his wings far beyond the storm until the storm is ever and comes back when the clouds, the lightning and thunde disappear, lights upon the top of the tree from which he ascended the skies and gives a shout of joy and suprema-cy, showing that he has weathered the storm and has returned again to his home. Like the eagle mount on pin ions of your imagination, soar away to your God in prayer, in song and in deotion. As the eagle asks his wings to help him, ask your God to help you.

STILL HUGGING HIS FIFTY THOUSAND DOL

LARS. Take the swiftness of the grey hound for the legs of your industry and with the swiftness of the grey hound, let your industry act; act wisely, act discreetly, and when the meetings are held and the results counted up, and the chieftain who is to ral ly and concentrate the forces of the True Reformers shall return to headquarters, and we shall hear the cry of victory to truth, to righteousness, and to a down trodden and despised people all along the line and the armies of the United Order of True Reformers standing solid and strong, with the storm dispelled, homes protected and instead of being vanquished and anni-After you have held a Union Meeting and have decided among your selves, arrange the next night for a hilated, we will be standing like the rocks of Gibraltar, "a rock in a weary land, a shelter in a mighty storm, commanded by Jehovah Himself. Bestir yourselves.

Yours, onward in the bonds of U. T. and C., Wm. W. Browne, G. W. Master.



JOE BARNES, FATHER OF POKEY.

A THREAT FROM DANVILLE. Let the Order of Assassination Go Into

Effect-We Have Friends in this Sec-

DANVILLE VA., October 15, 1895.
To the the Editor The PLANET:
We, the of-

We, the officers and members of Danville Division, United Order of True Reformers,
met in a union meeting of 21 Fountains on the 14th inst, and decided to
annihilate the Plank without you
make an immediate correction in regard to the Grab of W. W. Browne
which has occurred in the columns of
your paper for the past three issues,
beginning September 28th to the present.

We do unanimously condemn all publications in regard to Rev. W. W. Browne's Grab appearing in the PLANET up to date. We desire an immediate reply as w

do not wish to do you any harm.

A. E. Brandon, Sec'y of Div.

P. H. Scott, W. C. C. H. Owens, A. D. Dillard Fred Jeffreys, Miss Ethel Brown. J. R. Wilson, Chair of Com.

JACKSON WARD BREVITIES.

The churches as usual were largely attended during last Sunday.

We learned that the Rev. 'Fesser preached his first funeral sermon at the First Baptist Church on last Sunday morning. We have no doubt that he clearly demonstrated the mysteries in passing through the Dark Valley and Shadow of Death, and the glorious sights beheld in the Celestial City. The young Reverend of the Moore Street Bapt Church preached a doctri-

nal sermon on last Sunday, which inspired each member to give a reason for the hope that is within. The Elder was at his best. Grim monster Death passed through

this section on last Sunday, and left morning brought our young men in his venom sting in the heart of Miss contact with about forty boys, a large

On last Wednesday night, the beautifully lighted armory could be seen from this section glowing in magnififrom this section glowing in magnifi-cent splendor. A few minutes past 8 o'clock the tap of the drum told us who feel that they are forgotten. My that the Battalion was about to enter.

brother, we need you. Come and help

Miss Annie Woodson left the city us to labor for our Master.

A young lady starting out the other night when the wind had on its winter's chill, was asked by her escort,

"Why don't you carry your doak?"
"Oh no, no," said she; "it will press the air out of my balloon sleeves. Some folks say the Baptist brother has drawn out of the debate, others say that if he has not, he 'most. We what they seem.

It was a whisper, but it was loud enough for us to hear him make an engagement to hear tenor Crump, with Moon and stars at Moore St , Nonday

MAGNO DUO.

FLORA BATSON CONCERT.

The following are the programs fo Monday and Tuesday evening, Oct. 28th and 29th, 1895, at 5th Street Baptist Church, Rev. W. F. Grahan, pas-- 1st CONCERT.

Piano Solo; Baritone Solo, Beauty's Eyes, Tosti, Mr. Q. W. Moon; Song, Miss Flora Batson; Song, Bring my Saddie back to me, Skelly, MissEmily Price; Duett, O, that we two were maying, Smith, Madame Cross and Mr. Moon; Piano Solo, Selected, Mr. Rosa Moon; Plano Solo, Selected, Mr. Rosa K. Jones; Song, Miss Batson Song, Sweet Heart, Powell, Miss Emily Price; Reading, "De Chana Cu," Mr. D. W. Davis; Song, Bonny Ma, Ma-dame Mildred A. Cross; Song Miss

2nd CONCERT.

Piano Solo; Baritone Solo, Jussell Solo, Selected, Mrs. Rosa K. fones; Solo, Selected, Mrs. Rosa K. Ones; Song, Miss Batson; Song, Angel Voices in My Dream, Skelly, Miss Emily Price; Reading, "Bakin and Geens," Mr. D. W. Davis; Solo, (a) O. The Good Prospect Council I. Q. St. Luke, No. Books, Dollar, (b) Rep. Roll, March. Rocks, Dolby, (b) Ben Bolt, Ineass, Mrs Mildred A. Cross; Song, Mis Bat-

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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS' ENDOW-MENTS.

> N. A.; S. A, E, A. & A. \$450.00 Paid. She Receives \$150.00

Richmond, Va , July 3d, 1895.

This is to certify that I have this day received from Grand Chancellor John Mitchell Jr.,(\$150.00) one hundred and fifty dollars in payment of the endowment policy of my husband Martin Alexander, who was a member of Richmond Lodge. No. 1, Knights of Pythias, N. A , S. A., E. A. & A.

Signed: Signed;
PATSY ALEXANDER

She Receives \$150.00

Richmond, Va., July 19, 1895.
This is to certify that I have this 19th day of July, 1895 received from Grand Chancellor John Mitchell Jr., (\$150.00) one hundred and fifty dollars in payment of the death-elaim of my husband Samuel Christian, who was a member of Blooming Lily Lodge, No. 15, Knights of Pythias, N. A., S. A., E.

> Signed: MARTHA CHRISTIAN.

He Receives \$150 00

Richmond, Va., Oct. 14, 1895. This is to certify that I have this 14th day of October, 1895 received from John Mitchell Jr, Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge of Virginia Knight of Pythias, N. A., S. A., E, A. & A. the sum of \$150.00 in payment of the endowment of my late father, William D. Branch, who was a member of Samson Lodge, No. 16, Knights of

ANDERSON BRANCH.

Y. M. C. A. The meeting in the jail Sunday Mary Winston, who was sick only a number of young men, and about 35 short while.

These meetings are doing much good among the prisoners. The slums of our city were visited

for Paige county, where she will take charge of a school.

We are glad to know she acknowledged her faults to him, and how he loves her still.

We have the starting out the other.

Us to labor for our Master,

The address delivered to the boys on last Sunday by brother John G.

Smith, was just what the boys needed to hear, We hope to see the fruits of our brothers' efforts very soon. Come

again and help us. A large number of men greeted our Director, brother Nelson Williams, Jr. who conducted the Men's Meeting

last Sunday, 5:30 p. m., assisted by Director C. C. Williams who rendered some special music. All who were present expressed themselves as being well paid for their visit to the Men's speak not, but things are not always Meeting. Help us to get the young men into the work. The call meeting of the ladies Mon-day was well attended and much busi-

ness transacted. They are now arranging to entertain the delegates. Who will attend the State Conference All are requested to help. The Association must have the interest of the public. My friend, will you not lend a helping hand.

Prof. G R. Hovey is very much cleased with the interest which the members of his Bible Class are manifesting. Let this continue and the results will be good. Girls' Meeting to-day, 3 p. m. 5 p. m. to-day Prof. G. R. Hovey will explain the Sunday School Lesson.

Free to all. Meeting in the jail Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Mrs. R. D. Bowser will address the ooys Sunday afternoon, 4 o'clock. All boys are invited

Brother Edward Ellis, Jr. will ad dress the men Sunday afternoon, 5:30 o'clock. Good music. Solo by Mr. J. We are glad to learn that Misses Rosa E. Banks and Bettie Jackson are

doing well at Toano. Their schools are well attended and all seem happy gentlemen and ladies at the 3rd Street A. M. E. Church. The admission is

151-Sends Help for the Innocent. MR. JOHN MITCHELL, JR.,

Dear Sir :- You will find enclosed the sum of \$10 00 to defend the Lunenburg Case. We wish we were able to ac sale at Rev. W. F. Graham', 241/2 complish our prayers for your success. Yours, GEORGE WEST.

W. B. CUNNINGHAM, SAMUEL BRANCH, Committee. WOMEN'S CASES.

THE SUPREME COURT TO HEAR ARGUMENT.

LUNENBURG COUNTY EM-PLOYS COUNSEL.

Trying To Amend The Faulty Records.

Judge Mann's Efforts to Bolster Up a Bad Case.

JOE BARNES' SAD STATEMENT. HE WORKED FOR DAVID

THOMPSON. THREATENED TO SHOOT! COLOREI

The cases of Mary Abernathy, Pokey Barnes and Mary Barnes, the three innocent colored women convicted of the murder of Mrs. Lucy Jane Pollard will be argued before the Supreme Court of Appeals during the month of November. Leave was obtained from the Court to file amended petitions by which the

affidavits ruled out by Judge Coleman will come before this august tribunal. Capt. A. B. Guigon for the women's counsel prepared the petition and filed the same. The would-be lynchers were to have presented a petition to Judge Orgain of the County Court of Lunenburg

of the County Court of Lunenburg asking for the return of the convicted people to that or some other county jail. It is presumed that they made their plea If this movement were successful it would be equivalent to signing the prisoners' death warrant. Hon. Geo. D. Wise, ex-Judge H. W. Flournoy and Capt. A. B. Guigon have been on the alert, ready to resist within been on the alert, ready to resist within the limits of the law any and all such attempts to further endanger the lives

EMPLOYED COUNSEL.

The Board of Supervisors of Lunen burg County have decided to employ counsel to prosecute the women's case in conjunction with the Attorney-General before the Supreme Court of Appeals, ex-Judge W. H. Mann has been retained. That he realizes the weakness of his case is made apparent by the following letter which was addressed to Hon. Geo. D. Wise:

JUDGE MANN'S LETTER.

"Dear Sir: I have been employe by the Board of Supervisors of the county of Lunenburg, Va, if it shall meet with the approval of the Attorney-General, to assist him in the argument of the cases of Solomon Maragument of the ble, Pokey Barnes, Mary Abernathy and Mary Barnes before the Court of Appeals of Virginia, and I think it proper to move the County Court of Lunenburg to make an order, nune pro tune, correcting and amending the record in such cases so as to show the

real facts. This motion will be made on Saturday, the 19th instant, at 11 o'clock. I trust it will be convenient for you to attend.

Yours truly, WM. H. MANN."

CAPT. WISE DISAGREES. Capt. Wise says that the petition of the convicted people show real facts and that any such order entered would be subversive of the truth. He is confident that he will secure a new trial for his clients.

It will be seen that Judge Mann very desirous of "mending his holt."
There was a rumor put affoat that the money of Mr. Pollard had been found at the house of Mary Abernathy's brother-in-law, but there was no truth in the report, and the papers publishing the same subsequently declared that it was untrue.

COULD BE TAKEN OUT OF THE PENITEN-

Under the ruling of the Suprem Court, Mary Barnes could be gotten out of the Virginia penitentiary by suing out a writ of habeas corpus, but as she would be subject to the orde of the Judge of the County Court Lunenburg, and could be confined in any jail he might designate, it is thought safer to have her remain where she is until the Supreme Court passes upon the merits of her case. Solomon Marable is as yet filled with remorse over his action in placng these women in such a fearful predicament. He is not lively now, bu at times lays flat on his stomache and appears to give himself up to solemn meditation. We present our readers with the picture of another character

in this remarkable drama. THE FATHER OF POKEY.

Editor Mitchell photographed Joe Barnes on the outside of the jail. His visit to his daughter. Pokey was very pathetic to the observer. He did not seem to know what to say to her, but handed her something wrapped up in paper. It proved to be a banana, and she was gratified at this filial manifestation of affection. Joseph Barnes, the husband of Mary Barnes and the father of Pokey Barne

said: "I was born in Mecklenburg Co just on the line of Mecklenburg Co., and Charlotte Co. My parents were named Cool Barnes and Reni Barnes. I was owned by Col. Reps Barnes. I lived at one time with Dr. Burrell, Mr. Chune, Mr. John E. Robert.

WHEN HE MARRIED. I was married six years after Lee

surrendered at Dr. Burrell's. My wife vited. No cards. Recused to live with him. I had lived in 5th street on the 29th. Lunenburg eight years, then I lived with Lucius Pettus in Mecklenburg. SUBSCRIBE TO THE PLANET. congratulated him.

His home is in Lunenburg Co I lived with him six years. Lucius Pettus got drunk and struck me once while I was living with him. Joe Davis told me he was dead drunk and not to trouble him and I didn't.

PETTUS' ROW WITH POLLARD.

Old man Pollard came to his house about a year before I left to get a steer which he said was owing to him. He told Old Pollard to come and get the steer and I would let him have him. Old Pollard tried to get me to carry him home for him, but I told him I did not have time and I couldn't go. I was hired to Mr. Pettus, you know. Mr. Pollard carried the steer away. After that Mr. Pettus asked me if Mr. Pollard left any money. I told him, 'No sir.' He said Mr. Pollard had no business carrying him away.

KNOCKED HIM DOWN.

I heard that he afterwards met Mr. Pollard at Finneywood, and he and Mr. Pollard got on words. I was told he knocked him down. LIVED WITH THOMPSON.

When I came here, I was living with David James Thompson at Finneywood in Mecklenburg Co., I had lived with him six months, before I broke up and came here. When the murder took place, I was in the field cutting grass. Mr. Robinson told Bill Pettus and David Longe that the murder had beautiful to the control of the state of the control of the contro wid James that the murder had been committed and David James told me because he came out there where they were skinning sheep. This was I think about an hour of night.

HOW HE ACTS WHEN DRUNK.

When he gets on sprees and he comes in sight of you, he draws a pistol on you. I went to the store for his moth-er and he was on one of his sprees then. DREW A PISTOL ON HIM.

He saw me and drew a pistol on me that night. I had to run out of his way. Some of the fellows who was sitting close by him caught him up and told him not to shoot. They knew he had been drinking.

ANOTHER MAN THREATENED. He started to shoot John Saunders, colored. They had a big row. He did dead. He married last Fall."

Personals & Briefs.

-Mr. Henry Jones of Petersburg, called on us. -Mr. J. W. Williams of Boyton, Va., called on us. -Mr. Saint L. Angel of Charlottesville, called on us.

—Mr. Isaac Dyson of Fire Creek, West Virginia, called on us. -Miss M. L. Sutton has returned home after visiting points north. -Mrs. Alice Seldon of Philadelphia, Pa. called on us.

-Miss Arabella Stewart Boyd of Louisa, Va , called on us. -Mr. R. L. Carter of West Point, called on us.

-Captain L. G. Gilmer of Freder icksburg, Va. and Lieut. J. C. Grant called on us. -Mr. A. C. Davis of Newport News Virginia, sends us \$2.30 for the Lunen burg Case. Many thanks.

-Mrs. Ann Averett of Houston Virginia, and Mrs. Alice Lewellyn of South Boston, Virginia, called on us. -We return thanks for \$1 50 from Horn's Sunday School, Henrico Co., Mr. Sully Watson, clerk.

-We return thanks for an invitation received to be present at the new Armory, Wednesday, October 16, 1895, from 6 to 9 p. m. The Mt. Tabor Sunday School of Woodville, sends \$4.76 for the innocent women. Committee: R. A. Jordan, and Mrs. Jeannettie Steward.

Many thanks.

Rev. Dr. Samuel Christian of this city is conducting a grand meeting at St. Peters Baptist Church, Henrico County. 17 seekers have bowed. —Mr. William L. Carter of Salem,
N. J. passed through the city enroute to Lunenburg, Va. to spend a short while hunting.

School Salem,
All visiting True Reformers were asked to retire. One of Rev. Browne's asked to retire.

There will be a Sunday School mass meeting at Rising Mt. Zion Church next Sunday night at 7:30. All Sunday school workers are invit--The Bank St. S. S. of Norfolk Rev. J. Madison Young pastor and Thomas S. Bagnall, Supt. has recently purchased a library of the Publica-tion Society, through S. N. Vass, val-

ued at \$190. -By special request Rev. S. N Vass will preach the annual sermon of the Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church on next Sunday night

at 8 o'clock. -Mr. Thomas L. Dixon returned to N. Y. after a few days visit to this city having come hence to attend the mar-

—Mrs. Robert Beverly of Milford Station, Caroline County, Va., has been visiting in this city for two weeks, she was the guest of Mr, and Mrs. Robert Washington of Church hill. She will leave for her home in a few days.

MARRIAGES.

LUCAS-WILDER-The marriage Miss Mary A. Wilder to Mr. Foster L Lucas will take place Thursday, Oc-tober 24th at 4 o'clock P. M. at First Baptist Church. Friends are invited. exercising. Indignation is a mild term No cards. The couple will leave on the 4:45 train for Baltimore, Md.

JONATHAN-ROBINSON-The marriage of Miss. Cora G. Robinson to Mr. H. F. Jonathan will take place Tuesday, October 22nd at 7:30 A. M at the Ebenezer Baptist Church. Friends are invited. No cards. Reception at 786 N

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Emerald Fountain, No. 4 Refuses to Pay any More Money in the True Re-

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formers' Treasury.

Hot Times at the Meeting. REV. BROWNE'S AGENT

OUSTED.

Chief Holmes Threatens.

WAR IN ISRAEL. WILL THE GRAND WORTHY MASTER

RETRACE HIS STEPS ? A Review of the Situation.

The action of the Grand Fountain in voting Rev. W. W. Browne fifty thousand dollars for plans which belonged to the Order has created wide-spread comment all over the country, and produced untold disgust and condemnation in this city. Wherever there be a congregation of two or more persons, the subject of Browne's grab is discussed. It now seems that the whole scheme was carefully mapped out. The question as to how much out. The question as to how much would be paid for them was not brought up during the session until a few moments before the resolution to vote without debate was carried. And this was done too the latest the session until a few moments before the resolution to vote without debate was carried. And this was done too on the last day of the

QUICK WORK FOR THE MONEY. The committee who had the matter not shoot. When he gets in his wild way he will certainly shoot—kill you how much he wanted until a few mohow much he wanted until a few moments before the vote was taken. It is now brought out that Rev. Browne did not even retire, but remained and thus added the influence of his presence to bring about the desired result. The fact that on the remainder of the Order's funds Rev. Browne holds a large interest is also creating amazement. Mr. R. T, Hill says that only two

> en persons own stock and accordingly own the buildings.

thousand, two hundred and thirty-sev-

HOW MUCH DO THEY OWN ? If this is true then, about 28,000 True Reformers own nothing, not even one dollar and twenty cents apiece, and those who own one, two, three or even five shares of stock would get comparatively little as compared with what Rev. Browne would get, who owns as much stock as the rules of the organization will permit. There is no member who owns more stock than Rev. Browne, so he would be one of the largest beneficiaries of the remaining (\$36,000) thirty-six thousand dol-

lars of property value.

At this rate a few people would get everything, if anything were left. It should not be forgotten that every one of the True Reformers employed at the huilding here have here led. the building here have had parcelled off to them large slices of stock and each one required to pay so much on it each month. Secret meetings are held, and other True Reformers denied admission. There may be just as much method in this as appears upon the surface.

WOULD NOT AGREE TO THE "PURCHASE." Emerald Fountain, No. 499, United Order of True Reformers held its meeting Friday night at True Reformers' Hall. Rev. W. F. Graham is connected with this Fountain. It was decided to consider the advisability of disbanding. The members were unwilling to pay any more money if it were to be recklessly expended to pay fifty thousand dollars for plans belong-

employees refused so to do, but when Rev. Graham told him he'd have to go out or be put out and 3 male members moved towards him to carry him bodily from the room, he reluctantly left, Chief A. W. Holmes, who is employed by Rev. Browne knocked at the door, by Rev. Browne knocked at the door, and upon being denied admission threatened to prefer charges against the Fountain. The members went on with their business. The action of these two individuals in acting as spies on their actions added to the aggravation and the members unanimously passed a resolution to disband at once.
A committee was appointed to petition for the money from the sick treasury and to hold the books and chart until this is done. It should not be forgotriage of his sister Miss Susie Nall to P. H. Ford, Esq., he expresses him self as being pleased with his visit. after once in the Bank is not absolutely at the disposal of the Fountain. It caanot draw it out, unless it specifies that it is for the sick and only in such amounts as are specified. It rests with the officers as to whether they will honor the orders. Put in as much as you please; take out only what the True Reformer officers say. Emerald Fountain is calling for her money and under the rules it cannot get it. Rev. Graham declares that the day of slavery is passed and that he will be a free man or nothing. The right to assemble without being watched is one that he insists upon

> to apply to the members.
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> Rev. J. M. Armistead of Portsmouth one of the ablest divines in the state condemned the fifty thousand dollar action of the Grand Fountain. His cry was, "Kill me if you will, but don't rob my people." At the close of his discourse numbers of True Reformers